

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims, if entered, will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-identified application.

Listing of Claims

1. – 46. (Cancelled)

47. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
a set-top receiver receiving first data from a user, wherein the first data identifies a television channel that is most frequently viewed by the user, wherein the television channel is one of a plurality of television channels;
the set-top receiver storing the first data in memory;
the set-top receiver receiving second data from the user, wherein the second data identifies a television program that is most frequently viewed by the user, wherein the television program is one of plurality of television programs ~~can be presented on a television~~;
the set-top receiver storing the second data in memory;
~~the set-top receiver receiving third data, wherein the third data identifies a time slot;~~
the set-top receiver receiving a first electronic program guide (EPG) after the set-top receiver stores the first and second data in memory;
the set-top receiver storing the first EPG to a hard disk of the set-top receiver;
the set-top receiver comparing the first data stored in memory with data of the first EPG;
the set-top receiver comparing the second data stored in memory with data of the first EPG;
~~the set-top receiver comparing the third data with data of the first EPG;~~
storing a first portion of the first EPG from the hard disk to a random access memory (RAM) of the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver identifying a match between the first data and data of the first EPG;

storing a second portion of the first EPG from the hard disk to the RAM of the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver identifying a match between the second data and data of the first EPG;

~~storing a third portion of the first EPG from the hard disk to the RAM of the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver identifying a match between the third data and data of the first EPG;~~

~~deleting the first, second, and third portions of the first EPG from the RAM;~~

~~the set-top receiver receiving a second electronic program guide (EPG)~~

~~the set-top receiver storing the second EPG to the hard disk of the set-top receiver;~~

~~the set-top receiver comparing the first data with data of the second EPG;~~

~~the set-top receiver comparing the second data with data of the second EPG;~~

~~the set-top receiver comparing the third data with data of the second EPG~~

~~storing a first portion of the second EPG from the hard disk to the RAM of the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver identifying a match between the first data and data of the second EPG;~~

~~storing a second portion of the second EPG from the hard disk to the RAM of the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver identifying a match between the second data and data of the second EPG;~~

~~storing a third portion of the second EPG from the hard disk to the RAM of the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver identifying a match between the third data and data of the second EPG.~~

48. (Cancelled)

49. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

a set-top receiver receiving a first set of data from a user, wherein each data of the first set identifies a respective several television channels that are most frequently viewed by the user, wherein the several television channels represent a subset of a plurality of television channels;

the set-top receiver receiving a first electronic program guide (EPG) after the set-top receiver receives the first set of data;

the set-top receiver storing the first EPG to a hard disk of the set-top receiver;

the set-top receiver comparing each data of the first set with data of the first EPG;
storing a plurality of first portions of the first EPG from the hard disk to a random access memory (RAM) of the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver
comparing each data of the first set with data of the first EPG;
accessing one or more of the first portions of the first EPG stored in the RAM;
the set-top receiver detecting one of the first portions of the first EPG stored in the RAM,
which is less frequently accessed than the other first portions of the first EPG
stored in the RAM;
moving the detected one of the first portions of the first EPG stored in the RAM to the
hard disk;
~~the set-top receiver receiving a second EPG;~~
~~the set-top receiver storing the second EPG to the hard disk of the set-top~~
~~receiver;~~
~~the set-top receiver comparing each data of the first set with data of the second~~
~~EPG;~~
~~storing a plurality of first portions of the second EPG from the hard disk to the RAM of~~
~~the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver comparing each data of the~~
~~first set with data of the second EPG.~~

50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 49 further comprising:
the set-top receiver receiving a second set of data, wherein each data of the
second set identifies a respective program that can be presented on a
television;
the set-top receiver comparing each data of the second set with data of the first
EPG;
storing a plurality of second portions of the first EPG from the hard disk to the RAM of
the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver comparing each data of the
second set with data of the first EPG.

51. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 50 further comprising:
the set-top receiver receiving third set of data, wherein the set of data identifies a
respective time slot;
the set-top receiver comparing each data of the third set with data of the first

EPG;

storing a plurality of third portions of the first EPG from the hard disk to the RAM of the set-top receiver in response to the set-top receiver comparing each data of the third set with data of the first EPG.

52. – 58. (Cancelled)